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Prior to IEEE-USA, Russell directed grassroots programs at the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries and the American Iron and Steel Institute. In these positions he raised over \$300,000 in campaign contributions through the associations' political action committees. He has also represented the recycling and steel industries on Capitol Hill and in state capitols on a variety of issues as a professional lobbyist.

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GRASSROOTS: MAKING A DIFFERENCE

IEEE-USA has been urging our members to contact Congress for years. But does Congress really listen to the voters? Research strongly suggests that it does. Join us for a discussion of the evidence supporting grassroots advocacy and how it suggests IEEE members can do a better job interacting with elected officials.